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HIS Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, and the President of the French Republic, desiring to facilitate the commercial relations between France and the British Protectorates of East Africa, Central Africa, and Uganda, have resolved to conclude a Convention to that effect, and have named as their respective Plenipotentiaries:

His Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, the

SA Majesté le Roi du Royaume - Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande et des Territoires Britanniques au delà des Mers, Empereur des Indes, et le Président de la République Française, désirant faciliter les relations commerciales entre la France et les Protectorats Britanniques de l'Est Africain, du Centre Africain et de l'Ouganda, ont décidé de conclure une Convention à cet effet, et ont nommé pour leurs Plénipotentiaires respectifs:

Sa Majesté le Roi du Royaume - Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande et des Territoires Britanniques au delà des Mers, Empereur des Indes,



Most Honourable Henry Charles Keith Petty Fitzmaurice, Marquess of Lansdowne, Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

And the President of the French Republic, Monsieur Paul Cambon, Ambassador of the French Republic at London;

Who, having reciprocally communicated their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed as follows:—

le Très Honorable Henry Charles Keith Petty Fitzmaurice, Marquis de Lansdowne, Principal Secrétaire d'État de Sa Majesté au Département des Affaires Étrangères;

Et le Président de la République Française, Monsieur Paul Cambon, Ambassadeur de France à Londres;

Lesquels, après s'être communiqué leurs pleins pouvoirs, trouvés en bonne et due forme, sont convenus de ce qui suit:—

#### ARTICLE I.

The following colonial products: coffee, cocoa, pepper, pimento, amomums and cardamoms, cinnamon, cassia lignea, nutmegs, mace, cloves, vanilla, and tea, produce of the said British Protectorates, shall enjoy, on importation into France, Algeria, French Colonies and possessions, and the Protectorates of Indo-China and Tunis, the lowest customs duties applicable to similar products of any other foreign origin.

#### ARTICLE I.

Les denrées coloniales de consommation suivantes: café, cacao, poivre, piment, amomes et cardamomes, cannelle, cassia lignea, muscades, macis, girofles, vanille, et thé, originaires des dits Protectorats Britanniques, bénéficieront, à leur importation en France, en Algérie, dans les Colonies et possessions Françaises, dans les pays de Protectorat de l'Indo-Chine et de la Tunisie, des taxes de douane les plus réduites applicables aux produits similaires de toute autre origine étrangère.

#### ARTICLE II.

Reciprocally, the natural and manufactured products of France, Algeria, French Colonies and possessions, and the Protectorates of Indo-China and Tunis, shall enjoy, without restriction or reserve, on importation into the said British Protectorates, the lowest customs duties applicable to similar products of other foreign origin.

#### ARTICLE II.

Réciproquement, les produits naturels et fabriqués, originaires de France, d'Algérie, des Colonies et possessions Françaises, des pays de Protectorat de l'Indo-Chine et de la Tunisie, bénéficieront, sans aucune restriction ni réserve, à leur importation dans les dits Protectorats Britanniques, des taxes de douane les plus réduites applicables aux produits similaires de toute autre origine étrangère.

## ARTICLE III.

The certificates of origin which may be required for the admission of goods to the preferential conditions stipulated in the present Convention shall be *visé* by French Consuls and by British Consuls without levying Consular fees.

## ARTICLE III.

Les certificats d'origine qui seraient exigés pour l'admission des marchandises aux régimes de faveurs stipulés par la présente Convention seront visés par les Consuls Français et par les Consuls Britanniques en gratuité des taxes Consulaires de Chancellerie.

## ARTICLE IV.

The present Convention shall be ratified by the two Governments as soon as possible, and the ratifications shall be exchanged at London. It shall come into effect immediately after the exchange of ratifications, and shall remain in force until the expiration of a year from the day on which one of the High Contracting Parties shall have announced the intention of terminating it.

## ARTICLE IV.

La présente Convention sera ratifiée par les deux Gouvernements aussitôt que faire se pourra, et les ratifications en seront échangées à Londres. Elle entrera en vigueur immédiatement après l'échange des ratifications, et demeurera exécutoire jusqu'à l'expiration d'une année à partir du jour où l'une des Hautes Parties Contractantes aura notifié son intention d'en faire cesser les effets.

In witness whereof the above - mentioned Plenipotentiaries have signed the present Convention and have affixed thereto their seals.

En foi de quoi les Plénipotentiaires mentionnés ci-dessus ont signé la présente Convention et y ont apposé leurs cachets.

Done at London, in duplicate, the 23rd day of February, 1903.

Fait, en double exemplaire, à Londres, le 23 Février, 1903.

(L.S.) LANSDOWNE.

(L.S.) PAUL CAMBON.

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